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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SNAR, SZ

SUBJECT: TURKISH ALKALOID PLANT

1) FROM OUR RECENT CONVERSATIONS HERE WITH AGRICULTURAL SPECIALIST SAMUELSON, WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF TURKEY IS CONTEMPLATING A POPPY STRAW PROCESSING PLANT WITH A CAPACITY OF 20,000 TONS. WE FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT TO INSURE THAT THE PLANT IS IN FULL USE, SOME 30,000 TO 35,000 HECTARES OF POPPIES WOULD NEED TO BE HARVESTED AND THAT THAT, IN TURN, WOULD MEAN THE LICENSING OF SOME 60,000 TO 75,000 HECTARES, TAKING CROP FAILURE INTO ACCOUNT. OUR CONCERN IS THAT THE SUBSTANTIAL EXPANSION OF THE AREA UNDER CULTIVATION WOULD SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE THE PROBLEM OF CONTROL TO ASSURE THAT NO DIVERSION TAKES PLACE.

2) UNLESS OBJECTION IS PERCEIVED, IT IS REQUESTED THAT US  
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MISSION GENEVA DISCUSS THIS CONCERN WITH THE EXECUTIVE

DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED NATIONS FUND FOR DRUG ABUSE CONTROL  
TO SEE IF HE WOULD APPROACH THE APPROPRIATE TURKISH REPRESENTATIVE IN GENEVA ON THE MATTER. IT WOULD SEEM HERE THAT  
A 10,000 TON PLANT WOULD MAKE MUCH MORE SENSE IN THE  
PRESENT SITUATION. KISSINGER

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